Vera

Vera, March 11.- "The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest." Luke 10:2.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Scruggs Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Payne and daughter, Judy, and Mrs. Dora Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette visited Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Harvey, of Lynchburg Friday evening.

The Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Dean and daughter, Linda, and Joe Scruggs were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hatcher Sunday.

Sorry to report that Mrs. Alice Gravely continues ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Harris and two sons were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette on Monday evening.

Rocky

Rocky, March 10.- Everyone is enjoying the fine spring weather. The snow has gone. The pipes are all unfrozen and no repairs. The roads are much improved. We have a lot to be thankful for, as in other parts of the country people have much worse than we do.

A few from here attended the Sunday School Class at Evergreen last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shelton are spending this week at Pamplin.

Rev. Joseph R. Dorsey showed a film strip, World Mission U. S. A., at the service on Tuesday night.

Miss Gertrude Farmer returned from the hospital Tuesday, much improved.

Mrs. C. M. Evans was quite sick a few days last week.

The Home Demonstration Club met in March meeting with Mrs. Tom Anderson on Tuesday night. The attendance was small.

Mrs. Clara Garrett, of Evergreen, spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Percy Garrette.

Mrs. Etna Orange spent Thursday night with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Richardson spent Sunday at Evergreen with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Harvey.

Friends are sorry to hear Mrs. Randall Wooldridge was operated on at Virginia Baptist Hospital last Saturday morning. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Louise Ransom, who is attending Phillips Business School in Lynchburg spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ransom.

Hixburg

Hixburg, March 11.- As the tobacco markets have closed, and the snow is melting, farmers are turning their thoughts to gardening. The idea is to plant early to get a jump ahead of a possible night. Some planting has already been done.

Flower growing was the topic of discussion at the Pamplin Home Demonstration Club meeting which is to be held with the home of Mrs. Percy Lumsden at Pamplin. Mrs. Ernest Harwood will be hostess to the club next week.

Mr. Hans van Nes Allen, who is a student at Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal, spent the week-end at his home.

Last week, Clyde Burrell and family, who had been living near Pamplin, moved to Hixburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Gillam and Mrs. E. W. Gillam, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. H. M. Marshall, of Pamplin, visited Miss Maggie Hix on Friday afternoon.

Dairymen and their wives from here attended the dairy banquet on Tuesday evening at the Appomattox Hotel in Appomattox. Those included Mr. and Mrs. Rob Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Stonge, Mr. Agee and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dorrington, and Mr. John Wilson Hix.

Subscription rate $2.00 a year, payable in advance.

Play safe — drive carefully.

SEEK ENTRIES FOR BEAUTY CONTEST HERE

Dorothy Davidson, chairman of the entries committee for the Miss Appomattox contest, to be held here April 25 in the high school auditorium, says that her group has begun a search for a group of representative local beauties to participate in the pageant.

Any Appomattox resident who knows a personable, beauteous and talented young lady, is requested to suggest her to the committee as a possible contestant in the local pageant.

Winner of the Miss Appomattox Pageant, in addition to local prizes will qualify for participation in the Miss Virginia Contest which will be held in Roanoke in June. The girl crowned Miss Virginia will compete in Atlantic City for the 1959 Miss America crown and the $5,000 first prize scholarship.

To be eligible for the Miss Appomattox Pageant, a contestant must be between the ages of 18 and 24 on September 1. She must be a high school graduate by September and must never have been married.

She must possess talent, either tested or potential, which may include playing a musical instrument, dramatics, dance or any other talent or any of the fine arts. If she wishes to pursue a professional career, such as teaching she must present a three-minute talk on her reasons for selecting such a career or on her training to date and her aims in that profession.

Miss New Jersey 1957, Sally Sue Harriman, of Glassboro, capitured her state title and a $1,000 scholarship by giving a three minute talk on the sacred duty of Americans to vote.

Pamplin Vicinity

Pamplin Vicinity, March 11.- Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kress visited her brother Mr. Bobby Jennings, of Roanoke Sunday. He has been in the hospital, but has returned home now and is improving at this writing.

Mrs. Judy Glover, who has been sick with the flu is better at this writing.

Mr. Lewis Flora, of Newport News, and Mr. James Flora, of Richmond, visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Flora. Also Mr. and Mrs. Grandon Maxwell and son, Thomas, visited at this same home on Saturday night. While his brothers were here, all three visited their sisters in Lynchburg on Sunday, namely, Mrs. C. O. Price, Mrs. Betty Mann and Mrs. Annie Young.

Mrs. Bessie Martin accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hopkins to Richmond and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Cabaniss and family.

Mrs. W. S. Cumby visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cumby Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Richardson and baby, of Appomattox, visited Mrs. Frank Cumby Monday.

Mrs. Grover Hope entered Virginia Baptist Hospital today to undergo surgery tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mann and son spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Baldwin and family visited Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mines, of Snell, Va. Sunday.

Mr. Andy Anderson left today for Richmond, where he is employed.

Mrs. Gladys May and son, Ronnie from Richmond spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Averette and family.

County Line

County Line, March 11.- The regular W. M. S. meeting will be held at Central Church Thursday night, March 13, at 7:30.

The meeting at Miss Emma Haar's and Mrs. Henry Mann's were well attended.

Mrs. W. T. Nash and Mrs. Richard Nash called to see Mrs. Frank Moore and Mrs. Arthur Mullin Monday P. M. Mrs. W. T. Nash has had the flu some then.

An excitement was caused here Saturday P. M. when Cecil, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Nash, and Phyllis, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mayberry became lost. They finally found their way home, after a long walk.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullin visited Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie St. John Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Moore spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Vernie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nash one day last week. Mrs. Nash remains ill.

Mrs. A. D. Marshall accompanied her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Jordon to Lynchburg Monday.

Mr. Booker Jones has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray Jones and daughter, Hilda, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Reynolds near Farmville Monday. They also called to see Mrs. W. O. Jones and daughter, Carolyn, at Farmville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones visited relatives in Richmond recently.

HERE'S A TIP ON DAIRY CULLING

What level of production should I set as a culling guide? This, say dairy specialists at VPI, is a question frequently asked by dairymen.

There is no answer that will fit all herds, but the dairyman can estimate a level at his own herd which will be necessary if he is to get a reasonable return in labor, recent market price for the feed, and make a return on his investment.

The formula is simply this: Divide the total cost of keeping the average cow in the herd for one year by the average price received per pound of milk sold. The answer will be the number of pounds of milk the average cow will have to produce to break even under the Give serious consideration to culling any cow that will not produce at least this much milk.

A. H. S. left in opening round in Lexington County H. S. in the group of substitutes, tournament last week-end at Blacksburg.

Appomattox is a growing town.

Homemakers Items

Impatient for spring to come? You can bring a bint of spring into your home by forcing some of the flowering trees into bloom during March.

Here's how, as outlined by Extension Service:

Select branches from trees or shrubs that normally bloom early, and be sure the branches are well supplied with flower buds. Place the branches in a jar of water in a cool room. After the buds swell, move them into a room at ordinary room temperature from the start. Quicker results can be obtained by covering the branches in warm water for 10 to 15 minutes when they are first brought into the house. Stripping the branches every day with water will help hasten the swelling of buds. Recut the stem ends and change the water occasionally. Branches that can be forced easily into bloom for their flowers include flowering quince, forsythia, winter jasmine, spirea, cornelian cherry, redbud, winter or fragrant honeysuckle, shadblow, star magnolia, and viburnums.

Branches which can be forced early for attractive leaves or catkins include hazelnut, alder, pussywillow, currant, birch, red maple, oaks, beaches, poplars, and mountain ash.

More difficult to force are flowering dogwood, kiadderum, mock orange, lilacs, and various fruit trees such as cherry, peach, plum, apple, and pear.

PERIODIC INSPECTION OF GRAINS WILL PAY

Frequent inspection to guard against insects in grains stored on the farm is always important—and never more so than in the spring after the weather begins to warm.

This is the time that the insects become very active and can cause heavy damage, warns Arthur P. Morris, associate entomologist at VPI.

He says to take samples from all parts of the bin and observe the samples closely for insect activity. Samples can be taken with a standard probe. Be sure samples are taken from different depths in the grain. If a probe is not available, take samples of a pint to a quart each at different depths. Sift the samples through a piece of 10- to 14-mesh screen wire. The wire screen will hold back the grains but allow most of the insects to fall through. Examine grains left on the screen for large species of insects. If you find as many as one granary weevil or rice weevil, or insect grain borer per quart in the sample take immediate steps to fumigate at once. Or, if you find as few insects of other kinds as mites, sawtoothed grain beetles, or flour beetles, fumigate at once. If you do not know how to identify the insect yourself, consult your county agricultural agent.

Any one of several fumigants may be used. Be sure to read and follow them carefully. Give particular attention to the cautions listed. Fumigants are well known. They can save your stored property, but can also be seriously injure if used improperly.

SHE FOOLED DOCTORS

Blandford, England.- Elizabeth was a delicate baby. Doctors told her parents she probably would not live long.

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Weathering the Winds . . .

The old windmill shown on this page today is typical of many built by the Duth countless years ago, still serving and weathering the winds of time. There is something fascinating about traditions and institutions that weather the winds of time. And there is something equally inspiring about communities rich in history and yet abounding in modern service and building solidly for a bright future.

Often in this feature, we have used the phrase: *"Appomattox is a Growning Town."* This phrase has become familiar to our readers. Yet, frankly, we cannot claim that either Appomattox County or the Town of Appomattox has grown greatly in population. Actually, from 1940 to 1950, the County lost population and the Town gained only slightly. So, just what do we mean when we say that "Appomattox is a Growing Town"?

The answer is very simple, for one must realize that there are many ways in which to grow.

The most important way in which Appomattox has grown is in the standard of living of its citizens. you do not have to be an oldster to perseive that our people "live better" now than ever before. We have more convenniences — more electricity, more telephones, more water under pressure, and we have better homes and these homes are better furnished, better equipped with appliances, fittings, and there are more luxuries. And the standard of living of our people is enhanced by the cars they own, the machinery on the farm, the many, many gadgets and necessities of modern living. The community is continuing in this direction.

This growth in our standard of living is on a solid basis because of the excellent pay rolls, the business and industrial opportunities and the natural resources of our community. Like the windmill in the picture, that weathers the winds of time, so our community has grown solidly and we think it is wonderful to be a part of this growth.

And likewise our institutions have grown. A few years back, there were four churches in Appomattox; now there are eight. And the membership and value of physical plants has grown greatly. Our schools have grown so rapidly that some of us fail to realize the miracle of what has been done in our generation. It is the same in civic activities.

And, we want to say in today's message, that business and business service has grown in Appomattox. Both in volume and in the availability of goods and services.

Yes, there are many ways we could mention to back up the statement: "Appomattox is a Growing Town." In the dark days of the 1930's, who could have foreseen that Appomattox's two banks would have approximately six millions dollars on deposit, and that our town would have over 600 workers in industrial pay roll jobs — and all the countless other facts of growth!

Weathering the winds of time — soundly and solidly! We invite you to join with us in keeping this fine community on the march! Do business in Appomattox!

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